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The "National Front" is planning large-scale propaganda operations for visitors from West Germany. Names and addresses of West German visitors in East Germany will be transmitted without delay to SED agencies and the "National Front" by registration offices to which all foreigners have to report. The "National Front" will then inform SED house wardens and direct them to invite the West German visitors to parties and political discussions which are to be attended by propagandists of the "National Front". One of the aims pursued with these propaganda measures is to make the West Germans sign petitions for peace. House wardens are also directed to arrange for continued correspondence with the West German guests after their return. East German citizens who want to visit West Germany are subject to intensive propaganda prior to their departure. Directives for this propaganda were laid down by the SED on 1 March 1954. After their return from West Germany reports on their impressions must be given to the house community. According to directives issued by the "National Front" to East Germans travelling to West Germany, the reunification of Germany, joint discussions by West and East German organizations, and Molotov's security plan are mainly to be discussed in West Germany.

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